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Richard Lauer
Dave Love
Gary Peltier
Melinda Steffler
Richard Tobias

**ALMONT VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 4, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER

President Pro-Tem Dyke called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Pro-Tem Dyke led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Dyke, Lauer, Love, Peltier, Steffler, Tobias

Councilmembers Absent: Schneider

Staff Present:	Village Manager	Sarah Moyer-Cale
	Clerk/Treasurer	Kimberly Keesler
	Police Chief	Pat Nael

Guests Present:	Ms. Patricia Lucas	Lapeer Development Corp.
	Mr. Terry Roach	Gear Master, Inc.

COMMUNICATIONS

Village Manager Moyer-Cale presented Council with correspondence from the Michigan Municipal League notifying the Village of their annual meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilmember Peltier moved, Councilmember Tobias seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the agenda with the addition of Regular Agenda Item #4, Homecoming Expenses.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Peltier moved, Councilmember Tobias seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Regular Meeting Minutes, July 21, 2015, with the first paragraph in Regular Agenda Item #1, adding "for the homeowner" in the last sentence before "to acquire more information as to whether or not DTE has an easement."
Councilmember Lauer asked if there was any follow-up on the hydrant use. It was consensus of Council to wait until open discussion since it was already on the agenda.
2. Warrant #15-08A, Gen Ck #34155-34217, Equip EFT #80
3. Payroll Report, Ck #16054-16062, DD #1472-1494, EFT #145-147

PUBLIC COMMENT

None



REGULAR AGENDA

1. Resolution #15-08-01 – Approve the IFT Exemption for Gear Master, Inc.

Councilmember Lauer moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED**, to adopt Resolution #15-08-01, Approving the Application of Gear Master, Inc. for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for 12 years.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Lauer, Peltier, Steffler, Tobias, Dyke
Nays: Love
Abstain: None
Absent: Schneider

2. Barbed Wire Fencing Quotes

Manager Moyer-Cale presented Council with two quotes for barbed wiring fencing around the booster station. Discussion was held.

Councilmember Peltier moved, Councilmember Lauer seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to accept the bid from Michigan Fence Company, Inc. in the amount of \$2,242.00 plus the cost of permits contingent upon approval by the Almont Township Planning Commission.

3. Group Garage Sales

Manager Moyer-Cale updated Council regarding garage sales. She stated it was in the zoning ordinance and ROWE recommended it be removed from the zoning ordinance and a new ordinance be created specifically for garage sales. Discussion was held.

It was the consensus of Council to table this discussion until Manager Moyer-Cale can follow-up with Mr. Doug Piggott from ROWE on drafting a new ordinance.

4. Homecoming Expenses

Manager Moyer-Cale explained there were two invoices for homecoming expenses that were above the manager's \$2,500 limit. Discussion was held.

Councilmember Peltier moved, Councilmember Tobias seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the remaining amount of Invoice #14312 from North Branch Rent All in the amount of \$4,128.45.

Councilmember Peltier moved, Councilmember Lauer seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the remaining amount of Unique Sky Displays Contract Agreement in the amount of \$2,625.00.

OPEN DISCUSSION

1. Building Permit Issuance Process and Procedure Review

Manager Moyer-Cale stated Building Official Joe Israel was working on a checklist for submitting either a site plan or plot plan. Discussion was held.

It was the consensus of Council to see the new procedures before they go into effect.

2. Hydrant Use

Manager Moyer-Cale presented Council with the request from the Township to use the Village's fire hydrants to fill up swimming pools. Discussion was held.



It was the consensus of Council that no fire hydrant should be used for filling pools and for DPW Superintendent Treat to look into purchasing a back flow preventer for DPW-supervised use of fire hydrants.

COUNCIL/MANAGER COMMENT

Councilmember Peltier stated that he and Manager Moyer-Cale met with an architect regarding the park renovations. He also stated 3rd Degree Burns would be performing and a bounce house will be set up for the kids this week at Music in the Park.

Councilmember Tobias noted there was another semi roll-over on the curve on M-53 again this past week. He asked if more signs could be posted regarding how sharp the curve is and if the driver's insurance company was being charged for the police department's time. Discussion was held. Councilmember Steffler questioned where the storm water drain leads. It was the consensus of Council for DPW Superintendent Treat to follow-up regarding infiltration of the storm sewer.

Manager Moyer-Cale reminded Council that she will be on vacation from August 12th through the 16th and Clerk/Treasurer Keesler will be acting manager during that time.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Kimberly J. Keesler
Clerk/Treasurer

Tim Dyke
President Pro-Tem

Approved Date: August 18, 2015

